

MINUTES OF THE HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION
CITY OF SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
Lower Level – Room 40, City Hall/Court House, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard
November 6, 2008

Present: Carol Carey, Susan Bartlett Foote, Pat Igo, Carole Kralicek, Paul Larson, John Manning, Lee Meyer, Mark Shepherd Thomas, Steve Trimble, Diane Trout-Oertel, Shari Taylor Wilsey

Absent: Richard Faricy (excused), April Haas (unexcused)

Staff Present: Amy Spong, Christine Boulware, Cory Rucker

CALL TO ORDER: 5:05 PM by Paul Larson (Chair)

- 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Agenda was approved as submitted 10-0 (**Igo, Wilsey**).
- 2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Minutes were approved 10-0 (**Wilsey, Igo**)

A. October 9, 2008 Business Meeting

B. October 23, 2008 Public Hearing

3. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution on East 7th Street Demolition (in response to rapid demolition action/orders). This resolution was proposed address demolition /redevelopment of East 7th Street 3M area. A separate resolution will address future issues in which areas are proposed for demolished and redevelopment without input from the HPC when warranted or from local neighborhood groups and residents.

The second resolution would look to add such items as:

1. Look to have dialogue with different organizations within the city so that demolition projects have the opportunity reviewed by HPC if possible and neighbors who are immediately affected. It would also add a new notification process to alert neighborhoods and any concerned residents or organizations.
2. If any public funds are to be used for demolition, then a red flag should be raised and the process should be slowed down in order to allow HPC staff and others to properly investigate a property's history and historical significance which is currently not taken into consideration.
3. Pick out properties that meet local and National Register criteria, so that if any came up for demolition they would go through the same process of review as homeowners currently go through in order for approval of permits to perform any exterior alteration or demolition.
4. Mothballing a property.

B. Artist selection is complete for train stations at University-Raymond and Union Depot. Staff asked that a commissioner volunteer to participate in the design process of the two stations to help guide the process within the parameters of the district guidelines. Commissioner Meyer volunteered for the University-Raymond station and Commissioner Thomas volunteered for Union Depot.

4. STAFF UPDATES

A. October Design Review Statistics

5. ADJOURN: 5:30 P.M.

Submitted by: Cory Rucker